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In re Patent Application of:  
James E. Barger

Application No.: 10/713499

Confirmation No.: 1205

Filed: November 14, 2003

Art Unit: 2856

For: GEOPHONE

Examiner: Saint Surin, J. M.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)**

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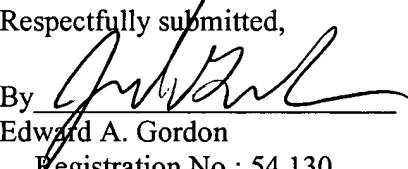
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

<u>Application Type</u>	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES	
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>
50	25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200	100
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Multiple dependent claims

360	180
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<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>	
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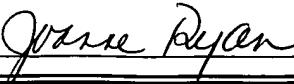
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